

In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A cathode ray tube (CRT) having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the support frame having ~~long~~long sides ~~(22, 24)~~ parallel to a major axis and ~~short~~short sides parallel to a minor axis ~~(26, 28)~~, the tension mask including a vibration damper comprising:

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an elongated strip member extending along a border of the tension mask parallel to the short sides of the frame, the elongated strip member having first and second ends mounted at ~~respective attachment locations~~ adjacent to the long sides along a ~~the~~ border ~~(36)~~ of the tension mask ~~and having~~such that a major portion of its surface is in frictional contact with the border between the ends to receive vibration from the tension mask, ~~the border being near the short sides and parallel therewith.~~

2. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 1 further comprising a raised portion ~~(43)~~ disposed between the first and second ends.

3. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 1 wherein the ~~attachment locations~~ first and second ends are positioned near a respective support blade member ~~(40)~~ of the support frame, the blade member being near the long sides and parallel therewith.

4. (cancelled)

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5. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~the border further comprises an opening (44) through which the vibration damper is~~ directly secured to an opposite side of the tension mask by attached to a support plate (50) located on an opposite side of the border.

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6. (original) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 5 wherein the vibration damper is attached to the support plate by an adhesive.

7. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 6 wherein the vibration damper is attached to the support plate by a pin ~~(152)~~.

8. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 1 wherein at least one of the ends of the the vibration damper is directly secured to an opposite side of the mask through an opening ~~(44)~~ in the border.

9. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 8 further comprising a bent portion ~~49~~ which extends through the opening and along ~~an~~ the opposite side of the border.

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10. (currently amended) A cathode ray tube (CRT) ~~(1)~~ having a tension mask ~~(30)~~ attached to a support frame (10), the support frame having ~~long~~long sides ~~(22, 24)~~ parallel to a major axis and ~~short~~short sides parallel to a minor axis ~~(26, 28)~~, the tension mask including a vibration damper ~~(46)~~ comprising:

an elongated strip member having first and second ends mounted to a surface along a border ~~(36)~~ of the tension mask and a substantial portion acting upon the surface of the border to receive vibration from the border;

AS the elongated strip member having a raised portion ~~(43)~~ formed ~~disposed~~ between the first and second ends.

11. (original) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 10 wherein the first and second ends are attached near a support blade member of the support frame, the blade member being near the long sides and parallel therewith.

12. (original) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 10 wherein the first and second ends are attached to the tension mask at a location remote from a support blade member of the support frame.

13. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 10 wherein the tension mask further comprises an opening ~~(44)~~ through which the vibration damper is attached to a support plate ~~(50)~~ located on an opposite side of the border.

14. (original) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 13 wherein the vibration damper is attached to the support plate by an adhesive.

15. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 14 wherein the vibration damper is attached to the support plate by a pin (152).

16. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 10 wherein the vibration damper is secured through an opening (44) in the border.

17. (currently amended) A CRT having a tension mask attached to a support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 16 further comprising a bent section (49) which extends through the opening and along an opposite side of the tension mask.

18. (new) A cathode ray tube (CRT) having a tension mask support frame with long sides parallel to a major axis and short sides parallel to a minor axis, the long sides having support blade members for attaching a tension mask, the tension mask including a vibration damper, comprising:

an elongated strip member extending along a border of the tension mask parallel to the short sides, the elongated strip member having first and second ends directly

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attached to the support blade members on the long sides, a major portion of the elongated strip member is in frictional contact with the border of the tension mask between the ends to receive vibration from the tension mask.

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19. (new) A CRT having a tension mask support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 18 further comprising a raised portion disposed between the first and second ends.

20. (new) A CRT having a tension mask support frame, the tension mask including a vibration damper as recited in claim 18 wherein the vibration damper is attached along a screen facing side of the tension mask.